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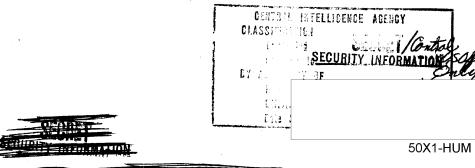
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They were recalled for possible military action.

The Russians wanted military leaders who were acquainted with, and could deal with, western military leaders. (8)

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